## House Resolution No. 334

Whereas, sixty wondrous years ago on July 7, 1942, Cletes O. Cato took the hand of his beautiful bride, Jessie J. McKinley, as they began their commitment to a lifetime of shared love and devotion by exchanging wedding vows during a solemn ceremony in Tacoma, Washington; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, Cletes and Jessie Cato have had the pleasure of raising four daughters, Cathy D. Cook, Jackie Kubisiak, Ramona Bollinger, and Barbara Cato, and the privilege of spoiling eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, Cletes Cato is known as a dedicated family man who generously provided his loved ones with a comfortable home and secure future through his successful thirty-five-year endeavor in education, from which he retired as Superintendent of Schools; and

Whereas, a veteran of World War II, Cletes Cato has enjoyed recognition as a member of the VFW, the Zalma Masonic Lodge, the Scottish Rite, Zalma Order of the Eastern Star Chapter 509, and Bethel Baptist Church; and

Whereas, also a member of Bethel Baptist Church and Zalma Order of the Eastern Star Chapter 509, Jessie Cato is a devoted wife, loving mother, and outstanding homemaker, who offered her children boundless emotional support, guidance, and understanding which enhanced their lives in countless ways and enabled them to become responsible citizens with families of their own; and

Whereas, Cletes and Jessie Cato have found the road to happiness by putting all of their energy, love, and ambition into their marriage and by knowing that a successful union is built upon such strong qualities as sacrifice, dedication, and honesty; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Cato of Zalma, Missouri, commemorated the glorious occasion of their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary on July 7, 2002, with a renewed commitment to the loving devotion that emanates from the depth of their hearts:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously in extending our most hearty congratulations to Cletes and Jessie Cato for their tremendous success in achieving sixty years of wedded bliss and in wishing them many happy and rewarding years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Cletes O. Cato, as a measure of our esteem for them.

Offered by

Representative Jason G. Crowell Majority Floor Leader District No. 158

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 334, adopted February 12, 2003.